

# **Neural Network Control of Chemical Mechanical Planarization**

## **ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

Broadly speaking, a method for controlling a chemical mechanical planarization  
5 (CMP) process to obtain a desired result is provided. More specifically, the method  
incorporates a first neural network to estimate a CMP result and a second neural network  
to tune CMP control parameters used to obtain the CMP result. The second neural network  
tunes the CMP control parameters to minimize a difference between the CMP result and a  
desired CMP result.